

MARYLAND GAZETTE,

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ADVICE to a young UNMARRIED LADY,
from one of her own SEX.

MISS,

THE Charms with which Heaven has blessed you, while they delight the Eye, make me tremble for you hereafter.—*Beauty* has often been the Rock on which *Virtue* has split, when Care has not been taken to enrich the Mind with Means to protect it in all the Changes of Life.—A splendid Fortune is ever attended by Luxury, whose Companion is Coquetry.—The Adoration of the Men, and their perpetual Flatteries to our Sex, are often too pleasing to our Vainety; and, by listening to a Number, the Heart is uncertain in it's Determination, and one insensibly gives up to a Crowd that Reputation we fear to trust with one single Person, and which ought to be dearer to us than one's Life. Again, *Poverty*, *Misfortunes*, and a Life imbittered by continual *Vexations*, are no less fatal to *Virtue*; such a Woman is apt to make Use of her Beauty to subdue her Enemies,—and to procure her Friends in Time of Need;—she meets, 'tis probable, with dangerous Consolers; and her Honour becomes a Sacrifice to Gratitude.

To prevent these disastrous Accidents, *Wisdom* is the only Means: but endeavour to be *Wise* without *Affectation*. *Wisdom* does not require so much outward *Shew* as inward *Severity*.—Be prudent without being a *Prude*: Let your *Modesty* be accompanied with *Gaiety*, and your necessary Reserve with *Good Nature*.—Apply yourself to learn what will adorn your Mind, but be not vain in your own Conceit.—Let your *Philosophy* be *Christian*.—Be affable and obliging to all; intimate but with few.—Pity the Misfortunes which you are in no Prospect of feeling.—Behave without too much Submission to your Equals; and without *Pride* to your Inferiors.—Be always ready to comfort the Distressed of all Conditions.—Do nothing but what is worthy of *Praise*, without aiming at Applause; the Ostentation of a good Action often eclipses the Glory, which it would otherwise deserve.

If you shall hereafter be blessed with a good Husband, endeavour to make the Blessing permanent by your Love, *Virtue*, and a generous Confidence. But, should your Lot be so unhappy as to have your Mind torn and distracted with the Agonies of domestic Jars, look out for Friends, who have a greater Regard for your *Virtue* than your *Beauty*; and, if by that Means you get no Relief, seek it from him who alone can extricate us out of the deepest Distress. In *Patience* possess your Soul.—If you love your Husband passionately, and he is ungrateful enough: not to make suitable Returns to your Tenderness, endeavour to conquer his ill Humour with Mildness, Complaisance, and a blameless Conduct: For, be assured, Jealousy, Sullenness, a peevish Melancholy, or continual Reproaches and Brawlings, will never regain a Heart liable to wandering.—If the Match be disproportionate, and your Husband happens to be very agreeable in his Humour, but the contrary in his Person, never cease endeavouring to conquer your Dislike, and remember the Beauties of the Mind are most amiable.—And, if you chance to be equally indifferent to each other; let not that draw you into any Irregularities: Shun the Opportunities of finding in another the Charms that are wanting in your Husband; and permit the Force of Duty to supply the Defects of Love. It is in such Circumstances as these, that it is difficult to preserve one's *Virtue*; but then it is at these Times, that it is most requisite, and it appears with greater Lustre.

A Woman perfectly happy, who is not wanting in her Duty, is esteemed, without being praised; because, having no Complaint, she has no Pretence for doing otherwise. But a Woman that is unfor-

...tunate and wife, seems to exceed even Expectation.

—The Virgin or the Widow State also seems to me as much or more exposed to Danger. A young Woman left without Father or Mother, and entirely Mistress of her Actions, cannot be too circumspect in them.—She takes no Step without endangering her Reputation; if she keeps a great deal of Company, she's immediately stigmatized with the Name of a Coquette; if she confines herself to the Conversation of a few select Friends, she's suspected of carrying on some private Intrigue.

If you marry, and are left a Widow, avoid the Example of those Women, who think, because they have Nobody to whom they are obliged to be accountable for what they do, they may with Safety abandon themselves to an irregular Conduct, believing, that under the Umbrage of their *Crape*, they may conceal the loose Inclinations of their Hearts.—A Widow ought to be more nice in her Behaviour, than either a Wife or a Maid. The State she has passed through should make her observe a greater Decorum, since she ought to resume the Modesty and Innocence of a Maid, with the Knowledge of a Wife: *Wisdom* must be her inseparable Guide, or she will be liable to Censure, and exposed to the greatest Dangers in the Cause of *Virtue*.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman of Credit in the County of Monaghan, in Ireland, dated July 22.

THERE was a Glaslough Man, who lately got so severe a Beating in Monaghan, from several Persons, that his Life was despaired of, and all the Physicians and Surgeons could do, he did not make one Drop of Water for ten Days, and his Belly was so much swelled, that they thought every Hour would be his last; but the poor Man fell into a little Slumber, and dreamed (or as he said, saw a Vision, which told him, that if he would drink a Bottle of Tuthill (the Parson's) Ale, and bathe in a certain Lough of Glaslough, he would immediately make Water. The Man told his Vision to Tuthill, Dr. Collin, and several others, and said, if he did what he was told, he was sure he would recover, upon which they left him to pursue his Dream. He was carried to the Place, drank the Ale, went into the Water, and there he did make Water, and in 24 Hours made 26 Quarts of Urine, and is recovering every Day since. This Story is very odd, but very true.

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, October 14.

Yesterday — Doxin stood in the Pillory, from 10 to 11 o'Clock, pursuant to his Sentence, for Clipping Shears and other Instruments for the demolishing of Coin, being found in his Custody, as also some Clippings.

Yesterday about 11 o'Clock in the Forenoon, John Brown, late an Attorney at Law in this Island, was executed pursuant to his Sentence last Grand Court, for the Crime of Forgery: He died very obstinate, without making the least Confession.

October 28. We are informed by one Mr. Davis, who was coming Passenger from Philadelphia, in the Brigantine Richmond, Capt. Rees, and brought here from Turks Island by Captain Bethel, of the Sloop John, from New York; that meeting with a severe Gale of Wind on the 23d of September last, off the East Side of Turks Island, their Vessel was beat almost to Pieces, and they with Difficulty, in the Long Boat, reach'd said Island. Likewise Capt. Middleton, in a Sloop from hence for Bermuda, shar'd the same Fate, and whom he left on said Island. There were several Guns of Distress heard in the Night, which they apprehended were fir'd by Vessels that might be in their Condition. The Storm continued from one o'Clock in the Morning 'til five the next Evening, insomuch that there was a large Bank of the East Side of the Island intirely wash'd away by the Sea and Rain.

NEWPORT, in Rhode Island, November 16. On Wednesday Night last, was cast away nigh our Beach, on a Rock called Cormorant Rock, a

Sloop belonging to Boston, one Gordon, Master, from the West Indies, and all the People perish'd, saving two Foremast Men, named — Emerson, and — Miller: The Vessel and Cargo it is thought will be intirely lost: One of the Men with great Difficulty got ashore upon a Piece of the Quarter Deck of the Sloop about 3 o'Clock in the Morning; the other was wash'd upon the Rock, where he remain'd until the next Day Evening before he could be taken off, the Wind and Sea being so high: The Method they were obliged to take was by going off in a Whale Boat, and as they could not go nigh the Rock they threw him a Rope which he fastened to him, and throwing himself into the Water got into the Boar. The Men pretty much bruised, but in good Spirits.

NEW-YORK.

December 4. On Monday the 13th of last Month, the Schooner Charming Peggy, Alexander Sloan, Master, bound in here from Cape Fear, with 237 Barrels of Tar on board, was drove ashore in a violent Gale of Wind at East, on the Out Side of Sandy Hook: The Vessel lost, but the Men and Cargo saved: The Captain afterwards hired some small Vessels to bring up the Cargo to this City, and arrived with it last Week.

Capt. Sloan informs us, that they have had a bundance of Rain at Cape-Fear, in the Months of September and October last, which occasioned such great Freshes as never were known there before; and which not only overflowed their common low Land, but much of their higher also, ruined all their Crops, and drowned and carried away much Cattle: That the Price of all Provisions was much risen, Indian Corn being, when he left it, upwards of Four Shillings Sterling per Bushel.

He also informs us, that about five Weeks ago, there was an Insurrection of the Negroes at Cape-Fear, which greatly alarmed the Inhabitants; but by good Providence, they were happily quell'd before any great Damage was done.

PHILADELPHIA, November 30.

Monday last a Court of Oyer and Terminer was held at Chester, when Thomas Kelly and James Rice, were brought to the Bar, and indicted for the Murder of John Thomas and Eleanor Davis; to which Kelly pleaded Guilty, but Rice Not Guilty: The Court then proceeded with his Trial, and the Jury in a few Minutes, returned their Verdict Guilty.

Rice, in going to Chester last Saturday, attempted to make his Escape from those that had the Care of him: The Sheriff and his Officers, it seems (not imagining he would attempt to get away, being hand-cuffed) were all a little Way before him, except one Man; which he took the Advantage of, and pretending he wanted to ease Nature, got Leave to go over a Fence or Hedge; upon which he endeavoured to get off his Hand-cuffs, but could not, and then set a running as fast as he could. The Man that was with him surpriz'd, and getting off his Horse hastily, some how entangled himself, and fell down, by which Rice got some Distance from him; however he recovered himself, and pursu'd, and luckily Rice happened to fall, so that he came up with and secur'd him.

Yesterday Daniel Hurley was executed here pursuant to his Sentence.

Extract of a Letter from Chester, in Maryland, November 23, 1752.

Patrick Kearn, Philip M'Dermot, and Margaret his Wife, who stood committed on Suspicion of being Accessaries to the Burglary with Dillon, &c. in Chester County, were bound over to our County Court for further Examination; at which Court the Grand Jury presented Philip M'Dermot, and Margaret his Wife, for receiving and concealing James Dillo's, after he had committed the Murder and Robbery of Eleanor Davis and John Thomas in Pennsylvania, they knowing of the same Felony and Murder. As to Patrick Kearn nothing was done; however he is bound over to appear at our next Court."

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